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Favorable reconsideration and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested in view of the preceding amendments and the following comments.

By this Amendment claim 1 has been cancelled, claim 2 has been amended and rewritten in independent form and claim 8 has been amended. Claims 2-8 are pending in the application.

The preceding amendments merely places claim 2 in independent form. No new matter has been added. Claim 8 has been made dependent from, and thus has all of the limitations of, claim 2.

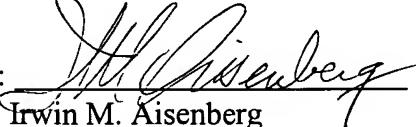
As claim 2 has been determined to be "allowable if rewritten in independent form," all of the other claims (which are at least ultimately dependent from claim 2, overcome the applied art in the same manner and for the same reasons as indicated for claim 2.

All rejections of claim 1 and of claim 8 have thus been overcome by cancelling claim 1, incorporating the text of claim 1 in independent claim 2, and making claim 8 dependent from claim 2.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is not further discussed since no ground of rejection is based thereon. Having overcome all grounds of rejection, favorable action on the merits and allowance of all claims are in order and are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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